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SUBJECT: VISIT OF JAPANESE FISHERY DELEGATION

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1. THE NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE (NMFS), NOAA, COMMERCE AND THE DEPARTMENT APPRECIATE RFA'S PROMPT NOTIFICATION ON THE PENDING VISIT TO THE U.S. OF THE JAPANESE DELEGATION. THE JAPANESE EMBASSY HAS CONTACTED THE DEPARTMENT, COMMERCE AND NOAA TO SCHEDULE MEETINGS WITH THE DELEGATION. COMMERCE BELIEVES THAT KAMENAGA MAY RAISE THE QUESTION OF THE ADVERSE EFFECTS ON JAPAN OF THE EXTENSIONS OF FISHERY JURISDICTIONS. THESE ADVERSE EFFECTS MAY INCLUDE THE DECREASING PROFITABILITY OF COMPANIES, INCREASING UNEMPLOYMENT OF FISHERMEN, DECREASING SUPPLIES FOR JAPANESE FISHERY MARKETS AND THE RESULTING SHORTAGE OF PROTEIN.

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SINCE THE U.S. DECREASED CATCH ALLOCATIONS FOR JAPANESE FISHING IN 1977 BY ONLY 11 PERCENT WHILE THE SOVIETS DECREASED THEIR ALLOCATIONS BY 36 PERCENT, NMFS BELIEVES THAT MOST OF THESE ADVERSE EFFECTS WILL BE CAUSED BY THE SOVIET REDUCTIONS. IF IT IS POSSIBLE, NMFS WOULD APPRECIATE BEING ADVISED AS TO WHETHER ANY ADVERSE

EFFECTS HAVE RESULTED DIRECTLY FROM THE U.S. CATCH ALLOCATIONS. OF PARTICULAR INTEREST IS THE RECENT CLAIM BY THE ALL-JAPAN SEAMAN'S UNION THAT 30,000 JAPANESE FISHERMEN HAVE ALREADY LOST THEIR JOBS BECAUSE OF THE 200-MILE EXTENSIONS. IS THIS CLAIM TRUE AND HOW MANY OF THESE JOB LOSSES ARE DUE TO U.S. REDUCTIONS?

2. AFTER HAVING ATTENDED THE NORTH PACIFIC FISHERIES COUNCIL IN ANCHORAGE, A JAPANESE DELEGATION OF THE CRAB FISHERY INDUSTRY CAME TO WASHINGTON TO EXPRESS THEIR HOPES HAT THE U.S. CATCH QUOTA WILL NOT BE CUT IN 1978. THE LIST OF DELEGATES AND A COPY OF THEIR TESTIMONY HAS BEEN POUCHED TO THE RFA. VANCE

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